



**MINUTES OF THE
MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
May 7, 2014**

The March meeting of the Maryland Transportation Commission was held on Wednesday, May 7, 2014, at 10:31AM in the Board Room of the Maryland Department of Transportation. The following members were present.

Chairman Sudhir Trivedi
Vice Chairman Mario VillaSanta
MDOT Staff Ian Beam
William Cox Jr.
Charles Deegan
Elmer Horsey
George Littrell, Jr.
Michael Moore
Carol Petzold
Makeda Scott
Gary Simpson
Cathy Riley
Micah Watson
Gregory Snook
Elmer Horsey
Calman Zamoiski

Chairman Sudhir Trivedi called the meeting to order at 10:31AM. The minutes for the April Meeting were approved. Mr. Trivedi asked Mr. Beam if there were any dedications to be heard. Mr. Beam then introduced Mr. Richard Etzler of Union Bridge, MD. Mr. Etzler, in conjunction with Delegate Michael Hough, presented a request for a section of MD 194 through Walkersville on behalf of Staff Sergeant Charles I. Cartwright of the United States Marine Corps. (USMC) Sgt. Cartwright, a native of Maryland, attended Walkersville High School and graduated in 2001. He then joined the Marine Corps and served with the USMC 1st Special Operations Battalion in Iraq and Afghanistan. On November 7, 2009, Sgt. Cartwright was killed in combat. He was posthumously awarded the Silver Star for heroism under fire evacuating his fellow wounded Marines during the battle. Sgt. Cartwright's widow and parents are also in support of this request. Ms. Petzold asked if there were letters of support. Mr. Beam responded that the entire Frederick County Delegation and County Council have written in support of this dedication. Also, the State Highway Office of Traffic and Safety in conjunction with SHA District 7 has reviewed the request and has found suitable locations for the signs, pending approval.

The Commission thanked the Etzlers for their time and expressed sympathy at the loss of Sgt. Cartwright. The Commission voted unanimously to recommend approving the dedication.

Hearing no other items of business, the Commission adjourned at 11:21AM until June 11, 2014.